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Applicants point out that a copy of the the document entitled "Investigation of the

effectiveness of various filter types for the filtration of aluminum melts I,” cited in the European Search Report, was already cited and submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 18, 2002.

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